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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman House Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the North East Kingdom Community Action Family Wellness and Economic Empowerment Campus (St. Johnsbury, VT) project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is North East Kingdom Community Action Inc. located at 115 Lincoln Street, St. Johnsbury, VT 05819. The funding would be used for acquisition and renovation of a new site in St. Johnsbury to house North East Kingdom Community Action's administrative offices, food shelf, Head Start services, business development advising, VITA Tax Assistance, family services, and other essential services. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will house essential community services in Vermont's Northeast Kingdom.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Becca Balint Member of Congress